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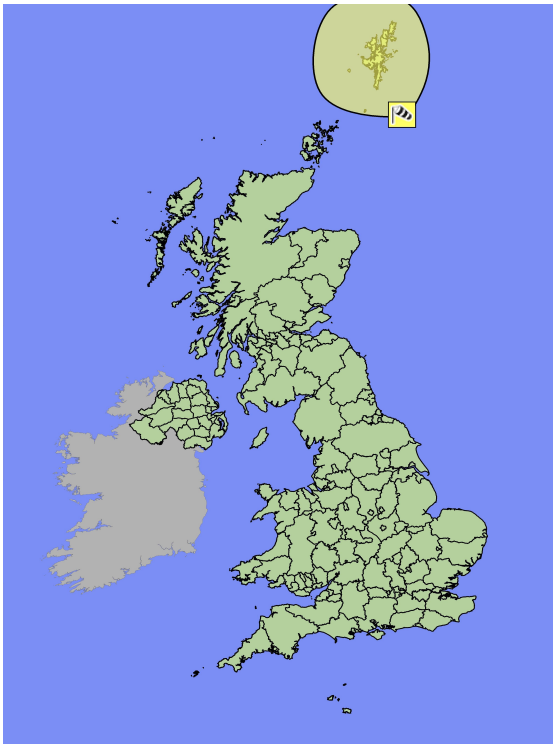

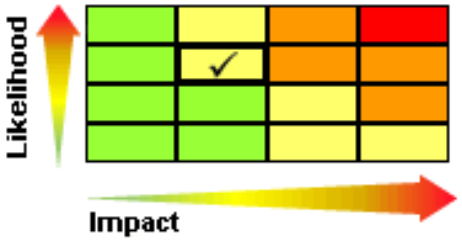

Chief Forecasters Assessment
A very intense depression will bring exceptionally strong winds to the sea areas north and west of Scotland today and tonight. Whilst the strongest winds will be well outside coastal waters, gusts into the 70's of mph are expected on coasts and hills overnight, and locally 80's mph, especially in the north of Shetland. Winds will slowly decrease into Friday morning.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Warning** of **Wind**

Valid from **00:05 on Fri, 25th Nov 2011** until **09:00 on Fri, 25th Nov 2011**

Gale force southwesterly winds will reach severe gale or even storm force during Thursday night and at first on Friday morning. Winds will then very slowly decrease during Friday. Public should be aware that the strong winds may cause travel disruption. Also high tides could combine with the strong winds to give large breakers, overtopping sea fronts and causeways bringing risk of localised flooding to low lying coastal areas.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/uk/uk_forecast_warnings.html

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For the following areas

- Orkney & Shetland
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